

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the last paragraph on page 7 with the following amended paragraph:

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At step 516, the method 500 enters a loop that will identify which of the recipients that user B will forward mail to are cascade enabled. In one embodiment, a recipient table ~~518~~ 518 contained within the electronic mail program identifies a plurality of recipients that user B forwards e-mail to and whether each one of those users are cascade enabled. In this case, the recipients are B1, B2 and B3, where B1 is not cascade enabled while users B2 and B3 are cascade enabled. At step 522, routine 500 checks for the enablement of each recipient in the recipient table 518. If any recipient is not enabled, the routine proceeds to step 514 wherein the cascade information is stripped from the e-mail message and the e-mail message is forwarded using conventional processes of step 510. If the user is cascade enabled, the method proceeds to update the recipient list for the forwarded e-mail at step 522. At step 524, the recipients' list generated in step 522 is added to the "Forward To" field of the sent log and the sent log 534 is updated at step 526. The log 534 contains the cascade enabled flag, the e-mail ID, the "To" field list that contains users B, C and D, the "Forward To" list that contains users B2 and B3 and the e-mail message. At step 528, the recipients' list is added to the e-mail such that the e-mail message now looks like message 536. In the e-mail message 536, the "To" field now contains users B, C, D, B2 and B3 as the recipients of the forwarded e-mail. At step 530, the e-mail is sent to users B, C, D, B2 and B3 and the mail program is exited at step 532. In this manner, the retraction that is sent from user A can be routed to the other users that have had mail forwarded to them by having the e-mail program review the information in the sent log of user B.

Please replace the last paragraph on page 9 with the following amended paragraph:

B² In this manner, the electronic mail that was originally sent by A to users B, C and D and then forwarded to users B1, B2 and B3 is now processed such that a retraction, when sent from user A to users B, C and D, would be automatically forwarded by user B to the recipients that received the forwarded e-mail from user B, those being users B2 and B3. Since user B1 does not ~~except~~ accept cascade forwarded e-mail (i.e., step 518 of FIG. 5), user B1 is not sent the cascade forwarded e-mail. Consequently, any retraction sent from a user will ultimately be sent to all of the users that had originally received the message.
